

# 17<sup>th</sup> TRAINING GROUP

## MISSION

## LINEAGE

3480<sup>th</sup> Technical Training Wing established and activated on 1 Jul 1978  
Redesignated 3480<sup>th</sup> Technical Training Wing (USAF Cryptological Training Center), 3 Jan 1984  
Redesignated 3480<sup>th</sup> Technical Training Wing, 1 Mar 1985  
Redesignated 3480<sup>th</sup> Technical Training Group, 1 Feb 1992  
Redesignated 391<sup>st</sup> Technical Training Group, 15 Sep 1992  
Redesignated 17<sup>th</sup> Technical Training Group, 1 Jul 1993  
Redesignated 17<sup>th</sup> Training Group, 1 Apr 1994

## STATIONS

Goodfellow AFB, TX, 1 Jul 1978

## ASSIGNMENTS

Air Training Command, 1 Jul 1978  
Goodfellow Technical Training Center (later Goodfellow Training Center, 1 Mar 1985  
17<sup>th</sup> Training Wing, 1 Jul 1993

## COMMANDERS

## HONORS

### Service Streamers

None

### Campaign Streamers

None

### Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

## Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jul 1995-30 Jun 1997

1 Jul 1997-30 Jun 1999

1 Jul 2003-30 Jun 2005

## **EMBLEM**

Group will use the wing emblem with the group designation in the scroll

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

Tasked with non-cryptologic training, the base became the Goodfellow Training Center on 1 February 1992; this designator had a short life. HQ Air Education and Training Command activated the 17th Training Wing at Goodfellow on 1 July 1993 and deactivated Goodfellow Training Center.

The 17th Training Wing is composed of the 17th Training Group, 17th Medical Gp, 17th Services Gp and 17th Mission Support Gp. The wing trains intelligence personnel from all branches of the armed forces, as well as firefighters and students in a few other specialties, including seismic sensor training in the methodology of nuclear detonation detection.<sup>135</sup> Intelligence and other specialized training for the U.S. Air Force, its sister services, and some international students continue at Goodfellow to this day. In addition, the 17th TRW has units at Defense Language Institute, Monterey, California; Cony Station, Florida (Navy); and Fort Huachuca, Arizona (Army)—all of which do intelligence training.

On 15 July 1998, Maj. General John Casciano, Director of Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance on the Air Staff, joined Col. Craig Koziol, 17th Training Group commander, in dedicating a MiG-29 Fulcrum static display aircraft at Goodfellow AFB. The Fulcrum was one of 21 MiG-29's that the United States purchased from Moldova, a former Soviet republic in October 1997. The 17th TRG also received a MiG-23 Flogger, an SA-4 surface-to-air launcher with two missiles and other assorted equipment.

The 17th Training Group (TRG) has grown into a diverse technical training organization that trains disciplines far different from the SIGINT-focused school of the past. The 17th TRG consists of four squadrons and three geographically separated units. The Base Realignment and Closure process has contributed to the growth of the training mission at Goodfellow AFB. The following highlights some of the training missions transferred to the 17th TRG: General military intelligence (GMI) training from Lowry AFB, Colo., in 1992. Imagery and electronic intelligence training from Keesler AFB, Miss., in 1994.

Joint service fire training from Chanute AFB, Illinois, in 1993.

While assuming the firefighter training mission for all Services from Chanute AFB, Goodfellow concurrently became the Air Force intelligence training center in all disciplines.

Goodfellow AFB has retained its original cryptolinguists, analysis and reporting, cryptologic maintenance, and SIGINT officer training functions. These are now spread out over the 312th, 315th, and 316th Training Squadrons (TRS's). The 311th, 313th, and 314th TRS's exercise administrative control over Air Force students going through the schools for which other services are the executive agencies.

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